THE VINES LINED UP FOR NME 5.0 SHOWS

Hotly-tipped Australian rock newcomers **The Vines** will make their UK debut next month with four *NME* 5.0 Shows.

The Vines have been recording their debut album in Los Angeles. The album is set to be titled 'Highly Evolved', which is also the name of their

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new single, released via Heavenly on April 8.

As part of *NME*'s 50th birthday celebrations, The Vines will play at Brighton Free Butt (March 6), London Camden Monarch (7), Nottingham Social (8) and Bristol Louisiana (9). British newcomers **The Libertines**, recently signed to Rough Trade, are the support band. Tickets are £6, except London which is £7. The Vines have also been added to the bill for **Doves**' *NME* show with **The Music** at the London Astoria on April 5.

Speaking exclusively to *NME*, The Vines' singer/guitarist Craig Nichols said: "It will be the first time in Britain for us, so I'm pretty excited."

The single has been compared to Nirvana. "I think they are a big influence on us," Craig told *NME*. "When we first started out we used to play a few Nirvana covers."

The album has been recorded with Beck and Foo Fighters producer Rob Schnapf and is due in the summer.

For tickets to the *NME* 5.0 Shows ring the *NME* Ticketline on 0870 1 663663. Calls are charged at national standard rate.

